

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
Serial No.: 10/030,451
SUGHRUE MION, PLLC Ref: A7728

REMARKS

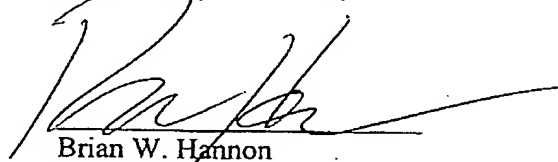
Claims 1-21, 24 and 25 are all the claims pending in the application. Of these claims, claims 1-21 and 25 have been indicated as being allowable. Claim 24 has been rejected.

In order to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicants have cancelled claim 24. It is respectfully submitted that all the remaining claims should be allowed and that the application should be passed to issuance.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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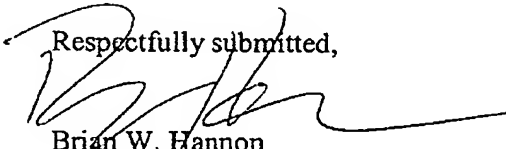
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Sir:

I hereby certify that the above identified correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to Examiner Wesley D. Markham at the Patent and Trademark Office on October 18, 2005 at (571) 273-8300.

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